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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of this application, please add the following new claims 33-39.

An inflator for inflating an inflatable vehicle occupant protection device, said inflator comprising:

an actuatable first inflation fluid source for providing inflation fluid for inflating said protection device an actuatable second inflation fluid source for providing inflation fluid for inflating said protection device,

a first initiator comprising at least one microelectromechanical system device (MEMS device) energizable JC1 SZEWDIE1 [0000069 0975E704